

## Coastal Family Health Center

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### Project Description

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Coastal Family Health Center provides comprehensive primary health care to individuals who are homeless in Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson Counties. The clinics are open evenings and Saturday mornings. A mobile unit dedicated to homeless health care is strategically placed within the three counties.

**Services**

Community outreach is an ongoing and integral part of the homeless health clinic. The clinic offers medical, dental, social services, and substance abuse counseling, including individual and group sessions. The clinics have a point-of-service lab and onsite pharmacy.

**Linkages**

The center works collaboratively with numerous local health and social service agencies that provide resources and/or services needed by patients. Among the most used are the Department of Human Services, Gulf Coast Mental Health Center, Seashore Mission, Gulf Coast Homeless Shelter, Biloxi Medical Center, all regional housing, Gulf Coast Community Action Agency, Catholic Social Services, Salvation Army, South Mississippi AIDS Task Force, and Homeless Continuum of Care.

**Statistics**

Estimated homeless population: 3,492 Project users: 1,744

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## Jackson-Hinds Comprehensive Health Center - Health Care for the Homeless

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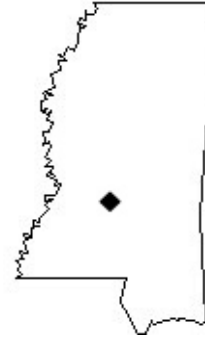
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### Project Description

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Jackson-Hinds Comprehensive Health Center's Health Care for the Homeless project provides services from one central site. Patients, however, can be served at any Jackson-Hinds clinic locations.

**Services**

The project accepts referrals from the Gateway Rescue Mission. The project team includes a .60 FTE mid-level provider, an LPN, and a social worker. The night clinic is staffed by the Jackson-Hinds Comprehensive Health Center. The project provides primary health care, oral health care, emergency health care, medications, HIV counseling/testing, mental health services, substance abuse treatment by referral, referral for inpatient services, outreach, some transportation, and eligibility assistance.

**Linkages**

The project has agreements with Victory Manor, New Life for Women, The Friendship Connection, Jimmy Stubbs Home, Wingard House, Metro Counseling, Hinds County Health Department, Gateway Rescue Mission, Salvation Army, Building Bridges, Jackson Mental Health Center, substance abuse facilities, and a podiatrist. Jackson-Hinds works with these agencies to inform the homeless of its locations and services by distribution of flyers in strategic locations, health fairs, and screenings. Jackson-Hinds also has formed a homeless user advisory group to the CEO, in addition to the homeless representatives on its Board of Directors. The project has rapport with social services agencies, education programs, shelters, and food programs. The project director serves on coalitions and organizations that advocate for individuals who are homeless. The director serves on two social work boards and is a member of social work organizations that work toward eradicating poverty, empowering clients, and promoting social justice.

**Statistics**

Estimated homeless population: 5,000 Project users: 872